REMARKS

I. THE REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

The Office requires restriction of the claims to one of the following inventions:

Group I, claims 1-4 and 6-10, drawn to an isolated polynucleotide encoding a protein having the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:46; and

Group II, claims 1-4 and 6-10, drawn to an isolated polynucleotide encoding a protein having the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:48.

In response, Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-4 and 6-10, drawn to an isolated polynucleotide encoding a protein having the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:46, without traverse.

II. CONCLUSION

Early consideration and prompt allowance of the claims is respectfully requested.

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